



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH JUNE 2016

- WHEREAS,** *Great Outdoors Month is an opportunity to celebrate and experience Maryland's natural treasures and renew our commitment to safeguarding our air, land and water; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Dedicated men and women work to preserve, protect, enhance and restore our natural resources for the wise use and enjoyment of all citizens; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Opportunities abound to hike, fish, camp and enjoy countless other outdoor activities throughout the Free State where families and friends of all ages can create memorable experiences and develop a connection to nature; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Children who spend frequent time outdoors may enjoy better health, fitness and vitality, less physical and emotional illness, and improved academic performance; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Each citizen plays an important role in continuing our legacy of stewardship and enjoyment of the great outdoors.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim JUNE 2016 as GREAT OUTDOORS MONTH in Maryland, and call upon the people of our state to join in supporting this observance.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 1st day of June
Two Thousand and sixteen

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Robert K. Hathaway
Lt. Governor

John C. Womack
Secretary of State